

UTILITY APPLICATION

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- (X) Specification in 19 pages.
- (X) Drawings in 6 sheets.
- (X) Declaration by Inventors in 1 page.
- (X) Copy from parent application
- (X) Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- (X) Examiner in prior application: Bumgarner, Melba N.
- (X) Group Art Unit of prior application: 3732

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- (X) Reference to prior domestic applications is made in the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

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Application	Relationship	Parent App. No.	Filing Date	Status
This Application	Continuation	09/670,708	09/27/00	Pending
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OTHER APPLICATION PARTS:

- (X) Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 in 2 total pages (IDS and 1449).
- (X) Preliminary Amendment in 5 pages.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.

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